

Politicians of all persuasions consistently aspire to “unite the nation.” However, Colin Woodard, author of *American Nations*, argues that America, from settlement until the present, has consisted of eleven culturally distinct regions, each with its own perspective. Woodard’s book was the November book club selection and offered new perspectives as to why Americans think, act, and vote differently depending on the region with which they identify. The book is dense, but most of us found it rewarding, offering unexpected insights into many issues currently dividing our country.